

REMARKS**1. Claims Amendments.**

Applicant has amended Claim 1 to correct a grammatical error. Applicant has cancelled Claim 18, which contained a dependency error, so this error is moot.

Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of Claims 4, 7, and 8. As Claim 8 was objected to but deemed allowable if combined with its base claim (Claim 1) and any intervening claims (Claims 4 and 7) Claim 1 is now allowable.

Claims 2 and 3 have not been amended.

Claim 4 has been cancelled as its subject matter has been incorporated into Claim 1.

Claims 5 and 6 have not been amended.

Claims 7 and 8 have been cancelled as their subject matter has been incorporated into Claim 1.

Claim 9 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of Claim 16. As Claim 16 was objected to but deemed allowable if combined with its base claim (Claim 9) and any intervening claims (none) Claim 9 is now allowable.

Claims 10 - 15 have not been amended.

Claim 16 has been cancelled as its subject matter has been incorporated into Claim 9.

Claim 17 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of Claims 9 and 18. As Claim 18 was objected to but deemed allowable if combined with its base claim (Claim 9) and any intervening claims (Claim 17) Claim 17 is now allowable.

Claim 18 has been cancelled as its subject matter has been incorporated into Claim 17.

Claims 19-30 have not been amended.

2. All Remaining Claims Are Allowable.

Applicant has amended Claims 1, 9, and 17 so as to incorporate allowable subject matter, namely objected to Claims 8, 16, and 18 and the intervening claims, as necessary to make Claims 1, 9, and 17 allowable.


Claims 19-30 were deemed allowable by the examiner and have not been amended.

CONCLUSION

Applicant retained all the allowed and allowable claims and submits that the application is in condition for overall allowance and respectfully requests such action.

If the examiner has any questions that can be resolved over the telephone, the examiner is invited to contact the below-signed attorney of record.

Respectfully submitted,
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